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Anticipated Classification of this application
Class _____ Subclass _____
Prior application: 08/801,471
Examiner: Nguyen, K.
Art Unit: 2731

BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(B)

This is a request for filing for a

☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP)

application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial
No.. 08/801,471 filed on February 18, 1997

Inventors: Stuart Berman

for: FIBRE CHANNEL SWITCHING FABRIC

I. COPY OF PRIOR APPLICATION AS FILED WHICH IS ATTACHED

☒ I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true and complete copy of what is shown
in my records to be the above-identified prior application, including the oath or
declaration as originally filed. (37 CFR § 1.53)

39 Page(s) of Specification
10 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
15 Sheet(s) of Drawings X formal _____ informal
4 Page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney
1 Small Entity Statement

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
(37 C.F.R. §1.10)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the
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- ## II. AMENDMENTS

- ### III. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- #### IV. PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTION FOR THE TIME TO FILE AN AMENDMENT

- ## V. FEE CALCULATION

☐ The fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time.

VI. SMALL ENTITY STATUS

A Verified Statement to establish small entity under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27:

- ☐ is attached
- ☒ has been filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired. [37 CFR § 1.28(a)]

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$380.00

VII. DRAWINGS

[NOTE: DO NOT CHECK THIS IF PRIOR CASE IS NOT TO BE ABANDONED.]

- ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and, subject to Item 16 below, abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded to this application. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
[May only be used if signed by (1) applicant, (2) assignee of record or (3) attorney or agent of record and before payment of issue fee. 37 CFR § 1.138.]
- ☐ Transfer the following sheet(s) of drawings from the prior application to this application.
- ☐ New drawings are enclosed ☐ formal ☐ informal

VIII. PRIORITY - 35 USC § 119

- ☐ Priority of application Serial No. _____ filed on _____ in Country is claimed under 35 USC § 119.
- ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. _____ on _____.
- ☐ The certified copy will follow.

IX. RELATE BACK - 35 USC § 120

- ☒ Amend the Specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a divisional of co-pending application Serial No. 08/801,471 filed February 18, 1997--

X. INVENTORSHIP STATEMENT

- ☐ With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are):

- [Name(s) of inventor(s) to be deleted]

- ## XI. ASSIGNMENT

- ## XII. FEE PAYMENT BEING MADE AT THIS TIME

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|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Filing fees. | <u>\$380.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Recording assignment. [\$40.00 37 CFR § 1.21(h)(1)] | — |
| | Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached. | |
| | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.47 and 1.17(h)] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Petition fee to Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently.) | — |
| | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.103 and 1.17(i)] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language. | — |
| | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.52(d) and 1.17(k)] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Processing and retention fee. | — |
| | [\$130.00; 37 CFR §§ 1.53(f) and 1.21(l)] | |

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XIII. METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES

- ☒ Attached is a check in the amount of \$380.00.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. **12-2475** in the amount of _____.

XIV. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. **12-2475**:

- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.16(a) (filing fees)
- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.16(b) (presentation of extra claims)
- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.17 (application processing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.311(b))

XV. INSTRUCTIONS AS TO OVERPAYMENT

- ☒ Credit Deposit Account No. **12-2475**.
- ☐ Refund

XVI. POWER OF ATTORNEY

- ☐ The power of attorney in the prior application is to _____.
- ☐ The power of attorney in the prior application is to the registered attorneys listed below and members of or associates in the law firm of **LYON & LYON LLP**, 633 West Fifth Street, 47th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90071, Registration No. 11,611, whose members are registered to practice in the U.S. Patent and Trademark office:

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- ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- ☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on _____ in this application.
- ☐ A new power has been executed and is attached.
- ☒ Address all future communications to:

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XVII. MAINTENANCE OF CO-PENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending **prior** application until _____. A copy of the petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.

XVIII. CONDITIONAL PETITIONS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☐ A conditional petition for extension of time is being filed in the pending **prior** application. A copy of the conditional petition for extension of time in the **prior** application is attached.

XIX. ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☐ Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application co-pending with said prior application. At the same time, please add the words "now abandoned" to the amendment of the specification set forth in Item 2 above.

Respectfully submitted,

LYON & LYON LLP

Dated: June 11, 1999

By: 

David B. Murphy
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Title of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee

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